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# **MEMORANDUM**

From:

Dr. Marty Zaluski, Administrator & State Veterinarian

Subject:

Reciprocating Agreement for Interstate Movement of Cattle between Montana

and Wyoming in accordance with 9CFR 86.4(a) and 86.5(c)(6)

Date:

July 3, 2013

This document is a reciprocal agreement to facilitate movement of animals between Montana and Wyoming. Per 9CFR 86.4(a) and 86.5(c)(6), states may recognize alternate forms of identification and documentation.

### APPROVED FORMS OF OFFICIAL IDENTIFICATION:

Cattle may be officially identified by:

- ▶ 9 CFR 86.4(a)(1)(ii) brands officially recognized registered with a recognized brand inspection authority and accompanied by an official brand inspection certificate, when agreed to by the shipping and receiving state.
- 9 CFR 86.4(a)(1)(iii) tattoos and other identification methods acceptable to a breed association for registration purposes, accompanied by a breed registration certificate, when agreed to by the shipping and receiving state or tribal animal health authorities.

Montana requires that all animals imported into Montana be officially individually identified, however:

- Official brand inspection certificates are accepted as official identification for sexually intact beef cattle 18 months of age and older if they are branded, have individual official ear tags, do not have testing or quarantine requirements, and are not for exhibition or recreational purposes. All cattle must be branded with brands registered to the owner of the cattle.
- Montana will not accept registration tattoos or other breed association identification.

**Wyoming** requires that all livestock imported into Wyoming be officially individually identified, however:

Official brand inspection certificates are accepted as official identification for sexually intact beef cattle 18 months of age and older if they are branded, have individual official ear tags, do not have testing or quarantine requirements, and are not for exhibition or recreational purposes. All cattle must be branded with brands registered to the owner of the cattle.

- > Wyoming does not accept registration tattoos or other breed association identification.
- Wyoming requires an official certificate of veterinary health inspection on all imported animals.

We, the undersigned State Veterinarians of Montana and Wyoming hereby agree to the above enumerated conditions for livestock being imported into our respective states in compliance with the APHIS Animal Disease Traceability Rule. This agreement can be terminated by either party within 14 days of written notice by either signatory.

Dr. Martin Zaluski

Montana State Veterinarian

July 3, 2013

Date

or Jim Logan

Wyoming State Veterinarian